

## **THE ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention provides novel antibodies that immunospecifically bind to an IL-9 polypeptide and compositions comprising said antibodies. The present invention also provides methods and compositions preventing, treating, managing, and/or ameliorating diseases and disorders associated with aberrant expression and/or activity of IL 9 or IL-9 receptor or subunits thereof, autoimmune diseases, inflammatory diseases, proliferative diseases, and infections comprising administration of one or more antibodies thereof that immunospecifically bind to an IL-9 polypeptide. The invention also encompasses methods and compositions for diagnosing, monitoring, and prognosing these disorders. The present invention further relates to articles of manufacture and kits comprising antibodies that immunospecifically bind to an IL-9 polypeptide.